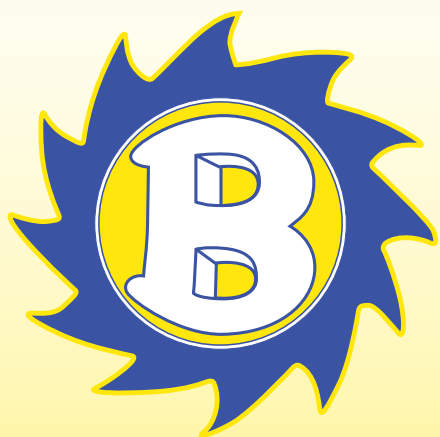


# Brooklyn City Schools

*Tradition. Pride. Excellence.*



2022  
**Quality**  
*Profile*

# MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

## *Superintendent Report*



The Brooklyn City Schools are committed to empowering students to reach their full potential by providing every student a high-quality education. The district proudly serves 1,200 students where students have the advantage of small class sizes and the opportunity to work closely with teachers and staff in an environment that promotes teaching and learning through innovation. The collaborative efforts of the staff and students are reflected in the **Pride** surrounding our school district and community.

District students also have access to a wide variety of athletic and extra-curricular opportunities. Our award-winning fine and performing arts programs, in addition to the dozens of other co-

curricular opportunities provide our students a well-rounded education that promotes cognitive, physical and social development. Together, these academic and co-curricular offerings are a part of the rich **Tradition** of excellence of the Brooklyn City Schools.

To highlight the importance of a comprehensive education, the district has created this Annual Quality Profile as a community-orientated companion to the State's Local District Report Card. It also provides a detailed overview of the educational programs and initiatives provided by the Brooklyn City School District. In doing so, the district seeks to demonstrate that the educational value of public education expands beyond the traditional metric of standardized testing. It is our hope that both parents and community members will gain a greater understanding and appreciation of the high-quality education provided to every student.

During the 2022-23 school year, the Brooklyn City Schools will launch a series of new and innovative academic programming to meet the learning needs of all students. The Brooklyn Arts and Innovation Academy will support our academically and creatively talented students by providing educational experiences which foster the unique talents of each student. This will include expanded gifted learning instruction, performing/visual arts, music, and writing opportunities, as well as the introduction of an Innovation Center that will promote hands-on learning, critical thinking, and collaboration through various STEM-based activity stations. The Brooklyn Career Connections Academy will help students develop their post-secondary goals and assist them in making those goals a reality.

As your proud Superintendent, the Brooklyn City Schools will remain dedicated to providing our students a top-tier education that promotes **Excellence**, and ultimately prepares all students for continued success.

Go Hurricanes!

Dr. Theodore Caleris, Superintendent  
Brooklyn City Schools

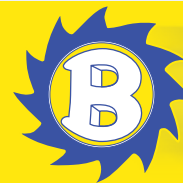




# POINTS OF PRIDE



4-year  
graduation rate of **95%**

For the Class of 2021 who entered 9th grade in the fall of 2017 and graduated by the summer of 2021.

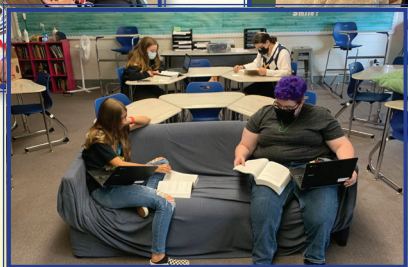
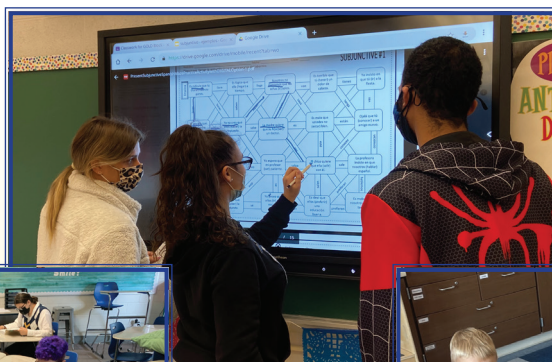


-  PBIS developed and expanded throughout high school earning a Bronze Award from the State of Ohio in the 2021-2022 school year
-  Launched the Brooklyn Career Connections Academy, and the Brooklyn Arts and Innovation Academy
-  Received the 2021-2022 Project Lead the Way Distinguished District Award for demonstrating a commitment to increasing student access, engagement, and achievement in its middle school level PLTW programs
-  Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce provides a variety of opportunities to the district including: Teacher Grants, Student Scholarships, Summer Intern Opportunities
-  Recipient of the GPD Employee's Foundation Wellness Grant for book vending machine at Brooklyn School
-  Brooklyn High School added a co-ed Varsity Bowling team
-  Partnership with College Now - Supporting families in the FAFSA, college application, and scholarship process
-  Partnership with Greater Cleveland Career Consortium to support college and career readiness for grades 5-12
-  On the State Report Card, our students made similar academic progress to students statewide



# ACADEMICS










- 8 Advanced Placement Courses offered at Brooklyn High School in the 2022 – 2023 school year
- 17 Honors Classes offered at the high school during the 2022 – 2023 school year
- 9 Vocational/Trade Programs offered at Polaris Career Center for students in grades 11-12 in Automotive Technology, Culinary Arts, Construction Trades, Cosmetology, Criminal Justice, Dental Assisting, Medical Technician/Fire Training, Welding Technologies, and Precision CNC Machining
- College Credit Plus Program provides students the ability to earn college credit while taking classes on our high school campus. We offer courses in College Algebra, College Composition I and II and Public Speaking, Introduction to Literacy, Introduction to Fiction
- Brooklyn High School graduates each earned 20 hours of community service
- High School course credit offered for 8th graders in Algebra I and Foreign Language
- World Languages offered include Spanish and Chinese with AP programs available for both Spanish Language and Chinese Language and Culture
- 4-Star Pre-Kindergarten Program that delivers a high-quality education in an early learning environment specifically designed for our youngest students
- Multiple field trips and overnight class trips that enrich and engage students in grades K-12 outside of the classroom
- High School partnership with Microsoft in the TEALS program to support our Computer Science Program







# STUDENT SAFETY AND WELLNESS

## Safety Initiatives

-  One School Resource Officer
  - Officer Dan Meadows from the Brooklyn Police Department is assigned to our district campus to provide an additional layer of safety and security
-  Safe School Helpline
-  Brooklyn City-School Emergency Management Team
  - Regular collaboration between Brooklyn administration and City of Brooklyn police, fire, and safety services to review and implement the district's Emergency Management Plan
-  Safe Routes to School Committee
  - Featuring representatives from the Brooklyn City Schools, PTA, parents, City of Brooklyn, and Cuyahoga County Board of Health, this committee utilizes awarded grants to improve student safety while promoting walking/biking to and from school
-  Hurricane Community Update Meetings / Coffee with the Principals
-  One access point into buildings for all visitors
-  School bus safety and security
-  COVID-19 webpage and communications
-  Updated security and enhanced monitoring throughout the district

## Nutrition Services

-  Provide information regarding menu items, nutrition, and a filter for common food allergies
-  Seek to offer meals at each school that are healthy, rich in whole grains and feature locally sourced fruits and vegetables



# STUDENT SUPPORTS

## **Brooklyn Early Childhood Preschool**

- Awarded Universal Preschool (UPK) grant to support preschool services and provide tuition scholarships for families
- Recognized by the Ohio Department of Education as a 4-Star program
- Recipient of the Ohio PBIS Bronze Recognition Award
- Recipient of the National Network of Partnership Schools (NNPS) Award
- Staff trained in Conscious Discipline®, a comprehensive approach to social-emotional development

## **Special Academic Supports**

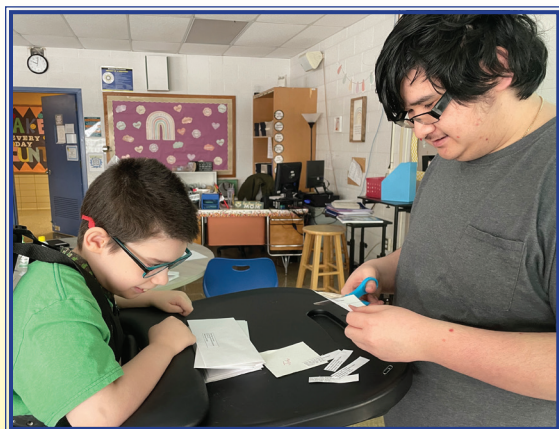
- Provides services and supports to students in Preschool – Grade 12
- Speech, Occupational and Physical therapies, as well as assistive technology, vision and hearing services and Behavior Specialist supports
- Student-run Cafe and participation in various Community-Based Projects
- Off-site community vocational experiences

## **Before & After Care Options For Families**

- KATS (Kids are Totally Super) tuition-based before and after school care
- Hurricane Cafe - after-school program in partnership with YMCA for grades 3-7

## **Mental Health & Wellness**

- Addition of Coordinator of Family Outreach and Mental Health Services position
- Day Treatment Program provided by OhioGuidestone
- Youth Mental Health First Aid training for all staff
- On-site therapists through OhioGuidestone
- Partnership with Community Group to have a district-wide therapy dog to work with students and staff





# STUDENT SUPPORTS

**Stay Safe, Speak Up** hotline for reporting of potentially threatening situation

**Brooklyn Arts and Innovation Academy**

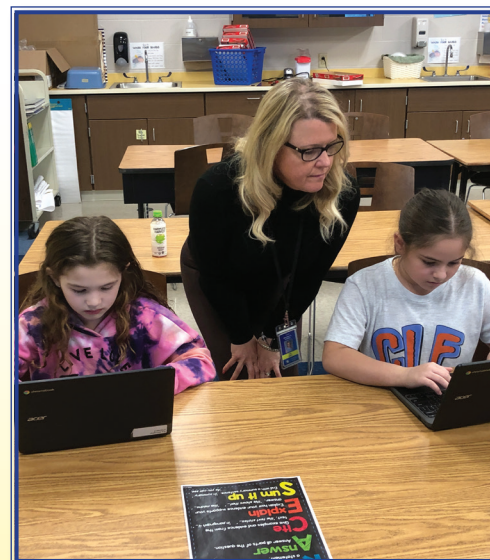
- Newly transformed Media Center which offers an innovation space including Finch Bots, Snap Circuits, and 3D printers for elementary students
- Students experience hands-on learning while promoting critical thinking skills
- Academically talented students engage in enrichment experiences that foster creativity and independent thinking through various pathways

**Brooklyn Career Connections Academy**







- Newly developed program to ensure post-secondary success for graduating seniors
- Students complete the K-12 career portfolio through Ohio Means Jobs Readiness Seal
- Students take part in work experience, including internships with local businesses
- Develop networking opportunities through participation in college and career fairs

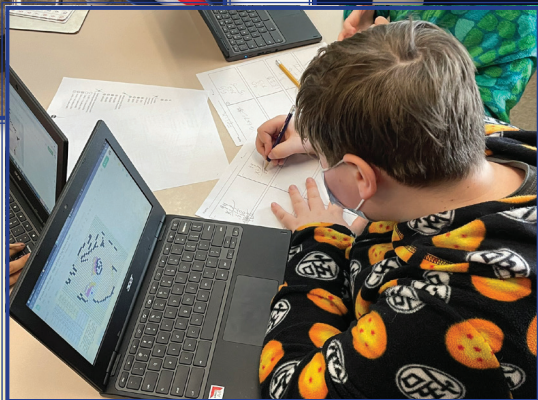
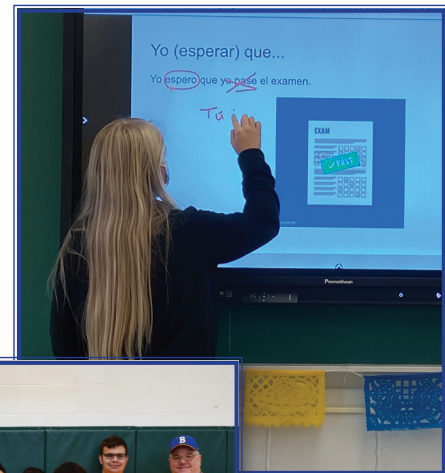
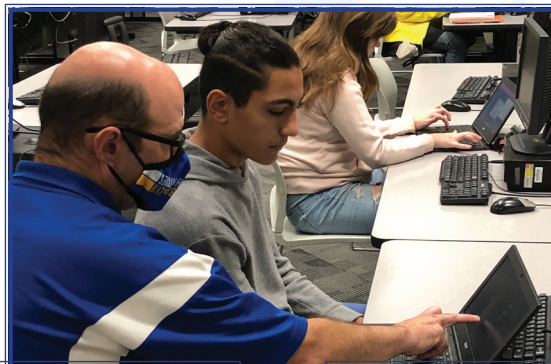
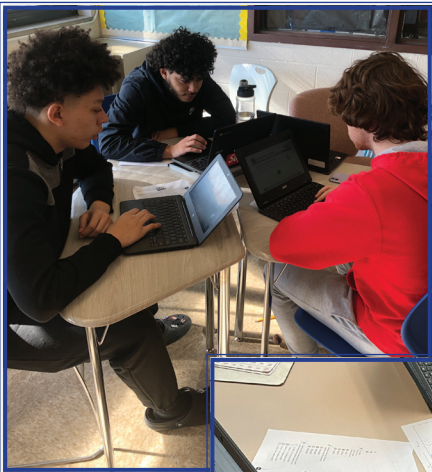
**English Language Learners**

- Our schools serve English Language Learners from over 15 different countries across five continents
- Our TESOL-endorsed ELL staff is highly trained in utilizing SIOP strategies to meet the needs of our diverse learners
- Brooklyn City Schools staff member is a recipient of a 2023 Global Learning Fellowship from the National Education Association





















# TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

-  All students K-12 are provided a Chromebook through the district technology 1:1 initiative
-  Students engage in the use of technology through Chromebooks and Google Classroom with teachers online in all grade levels and content areas
-  The online school newspaper, "The Return of the Eye", brings district news, reported by students, to the larger community in real time
-  An innovative hybrid learning option featuring both in-person and remote learning formats, the Brooklyn Digital Learning Academy provides students in grades 10-12 and those possessing grade level learning aptitudes, the District's engaging curriculum and programming opportunities while meeting their unique learning needs
-  Project Lead the Way (PLTW) programs are offered in Medical Detectives, Robotics, Design and Modeling, Introduction to Engineering Design, Principles of Engineering, Digital Electronics and Computer Science and Engineering
-  Updated wireless infrastructure throughout the school district





# STUDENT LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

-  Hurricane Cafe (grades 3-7) after school program funded by the YMCA, which assists students with school work, provides technology time, offers cooking, art and physical education opportunities
-  Student Council
-  First Ring Student Leadership
-  Cuyahoga Valley Conference Leadership
-  Marching Band for grades 9-12
-  Drama Club for grades 9-12
-  National Honor Society
-  National Spanish Honor Society
-  National Art Honor Society
-  Key Club sponsored by Brooklyn Kiwanis
-  National Junior Honor Society
-  BHS Hurricane Cafe
-  High School Sports: bowling, football, cheerleading, volleyball, girls and boys soccer, boys and girls basketball, wrestling, coed hockey, baseball, softball, coed track
-  Middle School Sports: football, volleyball, basketball, wrestling, track and field
-  K.A.T.S. is a student-centered program dedicated for students that may need additional supervision before or after school
-  Power of the Pen and Yearbook
-  Math Olympiad and Robotics
-  Online School Newspaper
















# PARENT & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

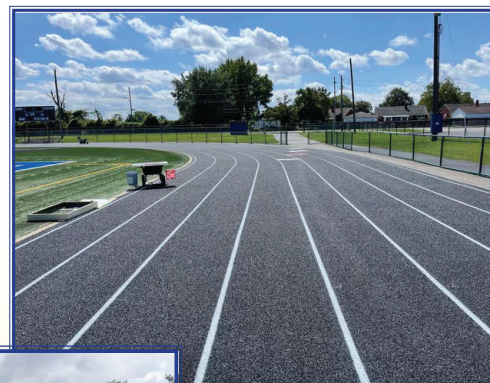
- PTA assists with teacher appreciation week, literacy night, math/technology night, provides student incentives for PBIS, provides weekly gift cards for teacher spotlights, facilitates school-wide fundraisers, assists with field day, and holiday shop
- Partnership with Brooklyn Pointe allows students to volunteer in the facility
- Partnership with Senior Center with student volunteering and music performances
- Music performances at Chamber of Commerce Taste of Brooklyn
- Safe Routes for Schools grants that provide infrastructure and educational opportunities for the school district
- Students participate in the Bike Rodeo to promote student safety and education
- Coffee with the Principals
- Through the annual Shop with a Cop event, local children in-need receive a meal and shopping trip for gifts with members of the Brooklyn Police Department
- Parents, civic leaders, and members of safety forces visit and read stories to student elementary classrooms as part of annual Right to Read Week
- Brooklyn City Schools annually creates partnerships with local businesses, service organizations, and community members to provide students with experiences related to college and career readiness
- Brooklyn Cares Community Support Program to assist families throughout the school year
- Community Service Days
- College and Career Fair with universities and community businesses
- Hurricane Heritage Week to celebrate the district's cultural diversity






# FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS

-  New facility built in 2015 holds approximately 750 students in grades PK-7
-  Resurfacing of all district parking lots
-  During the summer of 2021, the district began to look at a uniform furniture rotation throughout the school district to replace classroom furniture
-  Track Resurfacing Project completed in the fall of 2022
-  Turf Field was installed at Brooklyn Memorial Stadium in 2015 and funded by the passage of a bond issue
-  High School was built in 1957
-  Facility Study conducted in the fall of 2022 to determine the future infrastructure needs in the district
-  Furniture replacement throughout the high school and PK-7 campus
-  New carpet installed throughout the campus
-  Upgrades to fire, safety and security systems throughout the district campus
-  New roofs on High School being completed in phases. Began in 2018 and is ongoing
-  Purchased 3 new buses
-  Addition of Preschool playground turf during the summer of 2023

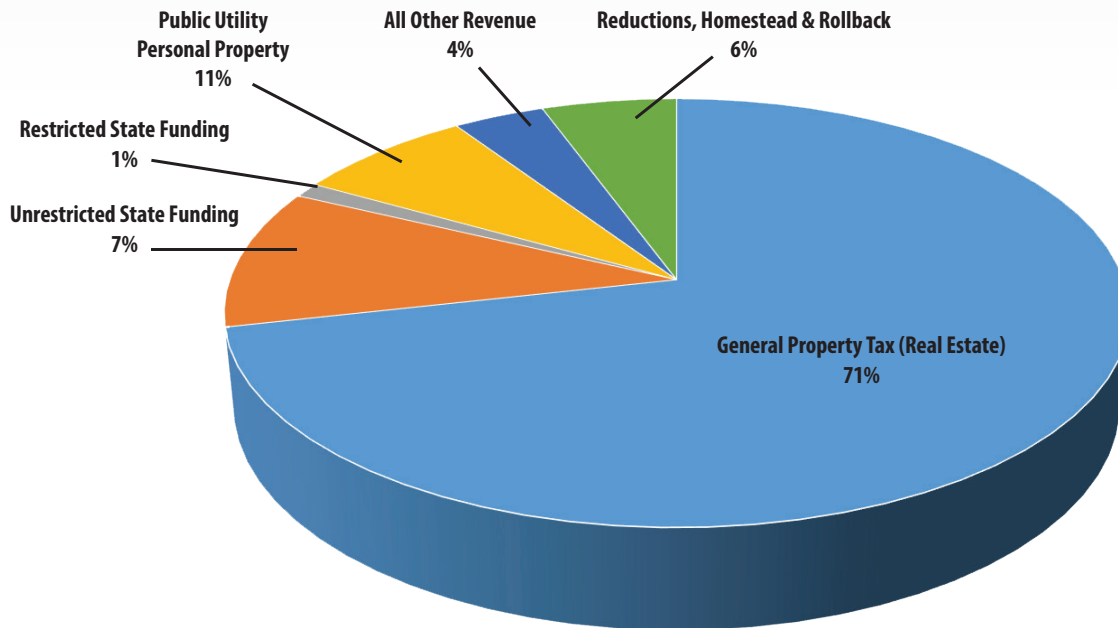


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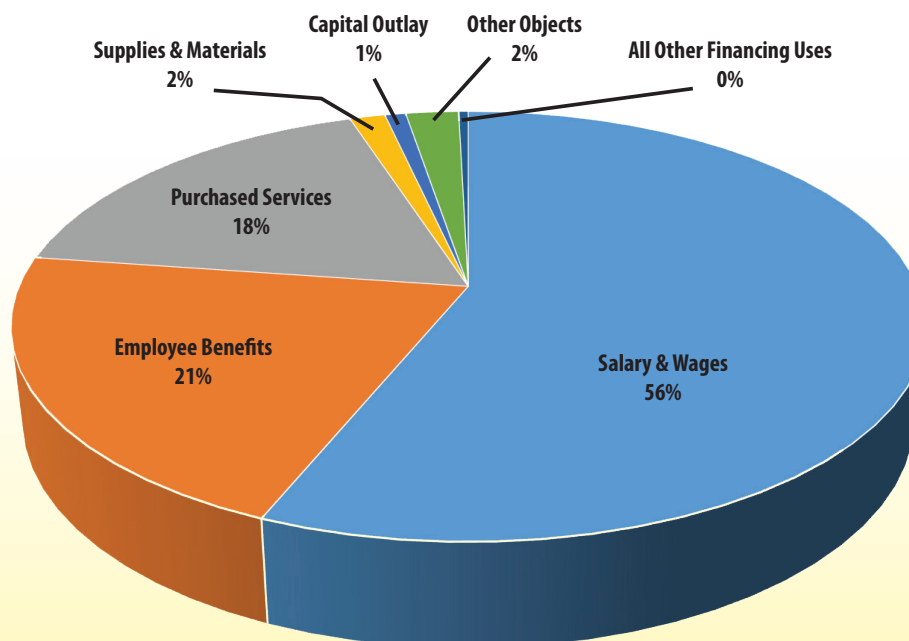
The Brooklyn City Schools place a high priority on financial responsibility and transparency.

 Brooklyn CSD joined the Ohio Checkbook, a public online resource for more in depth information about our school finances. This includes, but not limited to, spending, transactional data, revenue allocation, salary data, and other financial data

## 2022 Revenues



## 2022 Expenses





# PORTRAIT OF A HURRICANE!



## Cultural Acceptance & Citizenship

- Practices respect and contributes to a positive school and community climate
- Demonstrates cultural empathy and compassion
- “Gives back” to the Brooklyn School Community
- Respects diverse viewpoints
- Promotes a global perspective that fosters the sharing of ideas and greater understanding of other cultures

## Connection to Community

- Shows a sense of pride in one’s self and the Brooklyn School Community
- Participates in activities that promote service to the Brooklyn School Community
- Develops a sense of personal connection to the Brooklyn School Community
- Understands the importance of the long-standing tradition and pride in the Brooklyn School Community
- Makes connections with current residents and alumni of the Brooklyn School Community

## Communication

- Reads, writes, speaks, listens effectively on a personal level
- Effectively and responsibly gives and receives information across mediums while considering the needs of different audiences
- Communicates effectively in a public setting
- Advocates for him or herself in a respectful manner
- Adapts formally and informally to diverse audiences and settings
- Demonstrates maturity and responsibility when communicating in a digital environment

## Care & Self-Awareness

- Shows self-compassion and acceptance
- Recognizes that physical and mental health are part of being successful
- Identifies personal barriers and understands how to overcome them
- Demonstrates self-discipline
- Develops organization skills
- Expresses oneself in an expected and healthy way

## Critical Thinking & Problem Solving

- Obtains experience in problem-based learning
- Asks complex real-world questions that lead to new learning
- Identifies a problem and discovers multiple paths to a solution
- Applies evidence to make decisions to real-world problems

## Creativity/Innovation

- Demonstrates intrinsic motivation
- Accepts challenges and takes risks
- Takes ownership of learning and progress
- Develops a mindset of high expectations
- Develops a growth mindset

**Brooklyn Students Will Embody These Competencies!**



## VISION

*Brooklyn City Schools will be the model of educational excellence and community connectivity through practical, diverse, and innovative approaches to learning.*

## MISSION STATEMENT

*To educate, inspire and foster pride, unity, and respect.*

## CORE BELIEFS

### Respect

*The Brooklyn City Schools will encourage a school environment where everyone's respective talents, skills and capabilities are affirmed and mutually accepted.*

### Character

*The Brooklyn City Schools will promote among its student body and staff an attitude of doing the right thing at the right time in how we behave, think, speak and interact with one another.*

### Excellence

*The Brooklyn City Schools will rigorously pursue the highest standards of quality in academic, co-curricular, social and emotional, and interpersonal endeavors, striving to be the very best we can.*

### Integrity

*The Brooklyn City Schools will demonstrate trust with the community and display a consistent and uncompromising adherence to strong moral and ethical principles and values.*

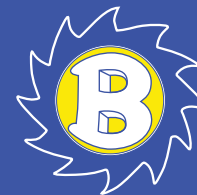
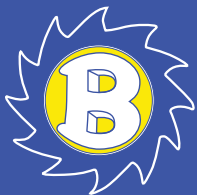
### Diversity

*The Brooklyn City Schools values diversity, equity and inclusion and will be accepting of all, regardless of race, gender, orientation, ethnicity or background.*

### Accountability

*The Brooklyn City Schools will promote personal responsibility and fulfilling one another's obligations with the highest standards of quality and excellence.*





## FIVE PILLARS

### **Academic Achievement and Growth**

*The Brooklyn City Schools will improve student academic achievement and growth over the next five years through the delivery of data-driven instruction and maintaining an open line of communication with students, parents, and staff.*

### **Social and Emotional Wellness**

*The Brooklyn City Schools will effectively promote awareness regarding mental health and wellness through proactive instructional and clinical programming.*

### **Community Engagement and Communication**

*The Brooklyn City Schools will increase two-way communication and develop school and community-based activities so that stakeholders, including the community-at-large, can engage and collaborate throughout the school year.*

### **Career and College Readiness**

*The Brooklyn City Schools will develop college and career readiness skills focused on preparing all students for post secondary success through purposeful instructional programming.*

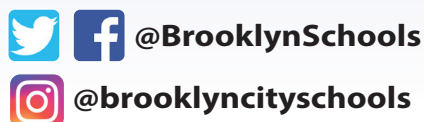
### **Finance and District Operations**

*The Brooklyn City Schools will continue to enhance school district infrastructure and operations through an ongoing evaluation of district finances, and also engage the community (internal and external stakeholders) to increase awareness of district finances.*

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